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## **NEWS MEDIA ADVISORY**

## National Guard awards to three local businesses for supporting Guard families

## Marathon Savings Bank, R Stores and WLRK-WXCO Radio to be honored Monday

Three Wausau-area businesses will be honored Monday morning [May 8] in Wausau for their support of mobilized Wisconsin National Guard soldiers and their families.

Marathon Savings Bank, the R Stores and Rock-It 107.9 Radio will receive awards from the Wisconsin National Guard state family program. The three businesses teamed up with promotional activities that raised more than \$20,000 for families of deployed Guard soldiers from 32 units around the state. The funds are used to assist families that are experiencing financial hardships due to a Guard soldier's mobilization and deployment.

The award presentations will be made at 11 a.m. Monday, May 8 at the Wausau National Guard armory, 833 S. 17th Ave. in Wausau. News media are welcome to cover the event.

The Wisconsin National Guard currently has nearly 2,400 soldiers and airmen serving on active duty, and about 1,875 of them are deployed overseas on missions that average one full year.

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